

CITY OF GREENBELT
City Clerk's Office
25 Crescent Road
Greenbelt, Maryland 20770

Memorandum

Date: August 26, 2015
To: City Council
From: Cindy Murray, City Clerk *cm*
Re: Campaign Signs on Public Property for 2015 Council Election

In 1991, the City Council established nine sites on public property throughout the City upon which election signs could be placed. At that time, candidates also entered into an informal agreement among themselves providing some restrictions on signs placed on private property, including no placement of campaign signs in residential yards.

The Council has re-authorized the placing of campaign signs on public property program in all subsequent City Council elections, continuing to stress that it is completely voluntary. In 2005, Council directed staff to expand this program by adding another six locations for signs on public property, bringing the total to 15.

If approved, the program will be conducted under the following guidelines:

- City staff will place the poles.
- A lottery among all candidates will be held on September 23, 2013, for placement location. To participate in the program, the candidate must participate in the lottery or designate someone to draw on his or her behalf.
- Candidates' signs may not be placed on the poles prior to September 24.
- The City's "City Election" sign will be placed in the top central position.
- Candidates provide the signs; City staff will attach the signs if they are given to the City Clerk, or candidates may attach their own signs if they prefer.
- Signs may be no larger than 18" x 24".
- A fee of \$75.00 will be charged to each candidate participating in this program.
- The signs will be removed by City staff on November 6, 2013, and should be picked up from the City Clerk's office promptly.

Sites for Campaign Signs on Public Property

Greenbelt West

- Edmonston Road and Breezewood Drive, SW corner
- Edmonston Road at Springhill Drive – NW corner
- Cherrywood Lane at Springhill Drive – right-of-way on the west side of Cherrywood
- Cherrywood Lane at Breezewood Drive – right-of-way on the west side of Cherrywood
- Springhill Lane and Breezewood Court – either the NW or SW corner

Center City

- Ridge and Crescent Roads – NW (Police Department) corner
- Southway and Crescent Road – SW corner
- Lakecrest Drive and Greenbelt Road – NE corner
- Research and Ridge Roads – NE corner
- Southway and Ridge Road – SE corner

Greenbelt East

- Mandan Road and Hanover Parkway – NW corner (across Hanover from NE corner of Greenbriar Park)
- Mandan Road at Ora Glen Road – in right-of-way on east side of Mandan (at Mandan Road Ball Field)
- Hanover Parkway and Ora Glen Drive – SE corner (stormwater pond corner)
- Hanover Parkway at Megan Lane - in median facing northbound traffic
- Frankfort and Morrison Drives - NE corner